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TITLE:	SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR ADAPTIVE SCHEDULING AND DYNAMIC BANDWIDTH RESOURCE ALLOCATION MANAGEMENT IN A DIGITAL BROADBAND DELIVERY SYSTEM		

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 9, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In The Claims:

Please cancel Claims 16, 17 and 20.

Please amend the claims as follows. An attached Version with Markings to Show Changes Made indicates the addition of language by underline and the deletion of language with brackets.

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1. (Once Amended) A bandwidth allocation manager for determining bandwidth allocation in a digital broadband delivery system, wherein the bandwidth allocation manager dynamically assigns at least two different content delivery modes to a plurality of digital transmission channels based at least partially on an allocation criteria received from a ~~subscriber~~.

a1 sub B2. (Once Amended) The bandwidth allocation manager of claim 1, wherein the at least two different content delivery modes are selected from the group consisting of pay-per-view, video-on-demand, and near video-on-demand.

3. (Once Amended) The bandwidth allocation manager of claim 1, wherein at least one content delivery mode comprises a video content delivery mode wherein at least three instances of a same video content are transmitted at time-spaced intervals of varying length.